

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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For: **METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR AN ) Customer No. 77845**  
**IMPROVED SAMPLE CAPTURE )**  
**DEVICE )**

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